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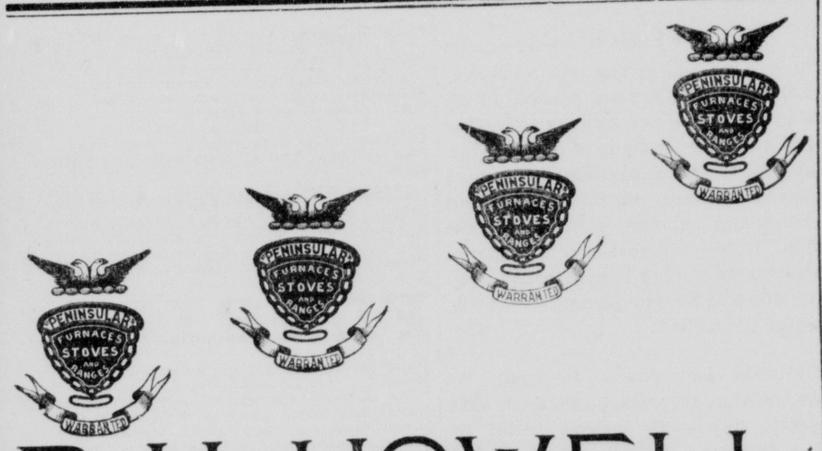

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—Herbert Greig is quite ill.

—Tammany Lodge meets tonight.

—Ruby Artz was a visitor from Polo.

—Miss Anna McCrystal is in Chicago.

—G. E. Becktol is home from Chicago.

—F. E. Stiteley is in Chicago on business.

—Mrs. Miles Barr went to Chicago this morning.

—Mrs. Alfred Derr of East Chamberlin street is ill.

—C. C. Johnson was a visitor from Sterling yesterday.

—Dixon Council No. 692, National Union, meets tonight.

—Two children at the home of Bruce Zigler of Woosung are quite ill.

—Edward Reitz is here from Iowa to visit his father, L. Reitz of Nachusa.

—County Treasurer C. F. Welty returned home to Walton this morning.

—W. L. Reigle was down from Franklin Grove on business yesterday.

—Dorothy Chapter Order of the Eastern Star will meet tomorrow evening.

—Miss Bessie Hoisington is clerking at the New York store on Galena avenue.

—Loveland & Stiteley are now steamship agents. Read their advertisement.

—A very successful sale was held at the J. H. McWethy place in Palmyra yesterday.

—City council meets tomorrow evening; the last for general business of this board.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Swart left today for Omaha, Nebraska, where Mr. Swart will do an insurance business.

—Supervisor W. W. Gilmore was taken ill yesterday and was made as comfortable as possible at the Nachusa House.

—Mrs. A. E. Sinclair and sister, Miss Alice Batten, have returned home from a pleasant two week's visit with relatives in Amboy.

—The Christian Citizenship Committee on Organization had a lenghty session yesterday afternoon, perfecting plans for future work.

—Loveland Place is being replatted, a fine winding drive along the crest of the hill overlooking the city being a marked improvement.

—The Loveland & Stiteley agency has rented to Royal Jones Mrs. H. T. Noble's double house, corner Third street and Galena avenue.

—Norman Hausen brought down from Franklin Grove in a bob sled the following ladies, Mesdames Wood, Strock, Orner, Hull and Bates.

—At the combination sale at Harmon yesterday afternoon quite a little property was offered, but owing to the scarcity of bidders it was mostly bidden in.

—Wm. Whitebread, a valuable employee of the painting department of the Grand Detour Plow shop, is confined to his home with a lame back, having injured it while at work last week.

—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the home of Mrs. Dornblaser on Second street, on Friday, March 4th, at 2:30 p. m. Members are requested to bring temperance clippings.

—Miss Anna Felt who has been visiting Mesdames G. A. Morris and Leonard Andrus left this afternoon for Freeport where she will visit at the home of Hon. Michael Stoskopf before returning to Galena.

—The Holden Co. are putting up a fine performance this week and playing to packed houses. The company is exceptionally good, and the specialties are equal to any seen in our city this season. Tonight they will present Augustus Thomas' beautiful southern play "Alabama."

—At the Central examination for Palmyra schools, held Saturday, Feb. 26, at Sugar Grove, eighteen pupils were successful candidates. The Gap Grove school had three representatives as follows: Sadie Drynan, average 93½ per cent, rank 2; Emma Wheaton, average 88⅔ per cent, rank 5; Maude Lenox, average 84⅔ per cent, rank 8.

—We give on pages six and seven an epitome of the new laws of Illinois enacted by the Legislature in special session: including the provisions of the Revenue law, the Primary Election law, the new Senatorial Apportionment, and the various appropriations. Our readers will do well to preserve this: they may find it useful for future reference.

CONFOUNDING SHORTAGE.

Arvine S. Hyde's Defalcations—Amount In County Treasurer's Office $1291.98.

Again we are in the throes of the Arvine S. Hyde defalcations, and with a hope that the bottom facts could be learned through the investigation of the board of supervisors in session this week.

We have waited patiently to give our readers the bottom facts in the defalcations in this office made by Hyde while deputy, but the committee appointed for the purpose have not yet made a report. By request of Treasurer Welty, E. B. Raymond and ex-county treasurer C. H. Hughes have examined the books of the treasurer's office thoroughly and find a shortage of exactly $1,291.98 which Mr. Welty has paid over to the county through the board of supervisors. A part of this sum, we believe about five hundred dollars, which the treasurer supposed to be all the shortage that his clerk had made, was paid into the county treasury sometime since. Now Mr. Welty fondly hopes that he has squared his account. We stated in this paper yesterday that the shortage would amount to about fourteen hundred dollars, but we find that the full and complete investigation by the competent accountants above named does not make it quite as much, and they are undoubtedly very nearly correct.

We understand that there is a shortage in Hyde's account as circuit clerk, though it was reported that he intended to balance the books there so as to leave no defalcation. As far as discovered this amounts to about forty dollars.

The statement published last evening that as "Circuit Clerk and deputy County Clerk" Arvine S. Hyde's shortage was over $3,000 has no foundation in fact. We may say that it was one of those plain, unvarnished falsehoods, printed for the purpose of selling "newspapers," so called.

Treasurer Welty Promptly Pays up His Clerk's Shortage.

The board of supervisors employed C. H. Hughes, ex-treasurer, through a request of the present county treasurer Charles Welty, to make a thorough examination of the books and report the exact shortage which A. S. Hyde left in that office when deputy. Mr. Welty is a son of the late Judge Welty, remembered by the people of Lee county, early settlers especially, as judge of the probate court many years, and custodian of large sums of money during the days of swamp land sales, and known as a gentleman of strict integrity and scrupulous honesty all through a long life of public service. Those who knew the father can well understand the desire of his son to go out of the office with a clean record; and therefore are not surprised that Treasurer Welty has asked for a full investigation of the books in his office and an examination of his clerk's official conduct.

Treasurer Clerk Hyde had heretofore, before he was sent to prison, confessed to Treasurer Welty that he was a defaulter for about $500 and this Mr. Welty promptly deposited with the county to square the account. Being fearful that this shortage was not all there was to it, Treasurer Welty asked that the board of supervisors make a thorough investigation, as he desired to square his account to the last cent. It comes particularly hard upon Treasurer Welty, but he borrowed the money and squared the account, amounting to $1,291.98.

We stated in THE TELEGRAPH last evening that the amount taken from the county funds by A. S. Hyde while deputy treasurer was about $1,400, but the completed investigation shows that the above is the amount of the shortage found by a full review of the books.

Death of Mrs. Joseph Schultz.

As briefly stated last evening, Mrs. Schultz, after eleven weeks of severe suffering, died at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday, March 2, 1898. Her maiden name was Marie McClosky, and she was born in Saulsbury, Pennsylvania, April 10, 1840. She was converted in early girlhood and united with the Evangelical church. In 1862 she was married to Rev. Joseph Schultz and two years later they moved west and settled in this vicinity which has ever since been their home. Mrs. Schultz was the mother of three children: her husband and daughter, Mrs. Alice Sneed, being the only surviving members of her family. After a brief service at the house, the funeral will be held in Grace Evangelical church, Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. J. H. Keagle officiating, assisted by Rev. S. F. Entorf, of Freeport.

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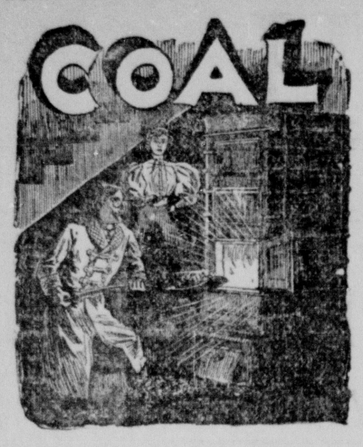

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ELKINS COMPLAINS OF CANADA,

Which Country, It Seems, Would Like to Have the Earth—Disclaims Being the Framer of That Mysterious Section of the Tariff—Nelson Does Not Agree with the West Virginia Statesman—Clark of Missouri Tells the House the Virtues of the Country Editor.

Washington, March 3.—Yesterday's debate in the senate on the Alaskan homestead and railway right-of-way bill was decidedly spirited. Carter delivered a vigorous speech in reply to that made during the past two days by Rawlins of Utah, in the course of which he made a strong defense of the honor of congressional committees and of officials in the several government departments. One of the special features of the debate was a speech delivered by Elkins, in which he asserted that the Canadian Pacific railway was enabled to make war upon American interests and why the aggressions of that great railroad ought to be stopped by the United States. Elkins' speech aroused much interest, particularly that part in which he explained that, while he did not frame the now famous section 22 of the present tariff law, he stood squarely with "the sterling American who did frame it."

Canada Too Sharp for Us.

When he got the floor to speak Elkins said he was glad to see that an effort was being made to exact something from Canada in view of all that the Dominion government and its corporations received from the United States. "For long years," said Elkins, "Canada had taken business from our country and despoiled the business of our railroads and all this without any proper return." When Elkins referred to the military advantages of the Canadian Pacific and its two strongholds—Halifax and Esquimault—Hoar interrupted him with the facetious remark that the senator need have no apprehension of the British guns at those points, as they would endanger Americans only in the event of their kicking, as, if any trouble should occur, Americans would be behind those guns. In response to a question as to the effect the abolishment of the consular seals at Vancouver would have upon the trade of the ports of Tacoma and Seattle, Elkins replied that it would fill those ports with trade.

Canucks Impose Upon Uncle Sam.

In the course of a brief reply to Elkins, Hoar expressed some regret that Elkins had brought into the discussion of the pending bill so much matter that was apparently irrelevant. He agreed with Elkins that the executive departments of the government had the power that they ought to exercise to prevent Canada from imposing upon this country or its business interests. He also agreed with him that the destruction of the seal herds was a reproach to civilization and that the denial of the privileges of hospitality to our fishermen was a reproach. He held, too, that Canada ought not to enjoy the bonding privilege, which the United States did not also have, and he perfectly agreed with Elkins that the business of supplying American citizens in Alaska ought not in any way to be burdened by Canadian monopoly.

HOAR DEPRECATES TALK OF WAR.

Nelson Declares the Canadian Pacific a Friend of the Farmer.

He expressed the belief, however, that Elkins ought not to have taken advantage of the desire on the part of the senate to accomplish those objects by introducing into the discussion a collateral matter. Hoar said he did not agree with Elkins as to the danger on account of the Canadian Pacific in time of war. As a matter of fact these 4,000 miles of railroad would be a hostage in case of hostilities. But independent of this factor, the United States would be entirely capable of taking care of themselves. If they had done so during the revolution and in the war of 1812 they could certainly do so now. He did not believe in encouraging the talk of possible hostilities with a friendly power and wanted to especially discourage all ideas of danger from the guns supposed to be pointing in our direction from Halifax and Esquimalt.

Nelson of Minnesota followed Hoar with a sharp though short protest against Elkins' proposition, on the ground that it was aimed at the interests of the farmers of the northwest. "We have," he said, "other interests than those of the railroad trunk lines. As the farther end of Lake Superior there is located a great empire of 5,000,000 or 6,000,000 of farmers, and the interests of those farmers are of far higher consideration than are the interests of the railroads, however important they may be to their owners." Continuing, he said that the Canadian Pacific road had brought to these farmers a reduction amounting to an average of about 10 cents a bushel on the transportation of their products to the Atlantic seaboard. Why, he asked, should this advantage be destroyed in the interest of a few stockholders and bondholders in these railroads, most of whom resided abroad?

Chilton, in a few words, said that Elkins was proceeding on the misconception that the Canadian Pacific rates were not subject to the law controlling the long and short haul. He also said that recent supreme court decisions made it possible for the American roads to reduce their through rates so as to compete with this line without regard to the long and short haul clause.

Another feature of the session was that Mason of Illinois introduced a resolution for a joint committee of both houses of congress to investigate the murder by a South Carolina mob of the postmaster at Lake City, S. C., and his infant child, because they were black. The conference report on the pension appropriation bill was agreed to. An executive session was held.

Pure Food Men in Council.

Washington, March 3.—About 200 persons, including state food commissioners, members of the National Grange, health officials, grocers and pharmacists, were in attendance at the National Pure Food and Drug Congress, which assembled at the Columbian university yesterday afternoon for a two days' meeting.

PLEA FOR THE COUNTRY EDITOR

Made by Clark of Missouri in a Speech Upon the Loud Bill,

Washington, March 3.—The house spent another day in debate upon the Loud bill, relating to second-class mail matter. The speeches, as a rule, attracted little interest, but Clark of Missouri made some remarks that rose considerably above the level of dryness. He was once editor of a weekly newspaper and delivered a eulogy on the country editor. "He is as faithful to the people as the needle to the pole," said he. "In the momentous campaign of 1896, when a vast majority—not all, mark you, but a vast majority—of Democratic metropolitan newspapers basely deserted their colors and went, bag and baggage, horse, foot and dragoons, into the camp of the enemy, the country weeklies, with rare exceptions, stood by the cause of Bryan, Democracy and humanity with unshaken fidelity, superb courage and commendable self-abnegation, thereby vindicating the patriotism, wisdom and independence of the American press.

"Upon this same country editor we must depend largely for honest, courageous, patriotic press service in the campaign now impending, as well as that of 1900, and surely upon the Democratic side of the house we would be acting with unwisdom to deprive him of any of his prerogatives. The Loud bill might not unjustly be entitled 'An Act to Diminish the Supply of Anti-Republican Campaign Literature.' Then it would be true to name. Republicans having nine-tenths of the great metropolitan papers may find some excuse for supporting a measure which will squelch the country weeklies, but certainly Democrats, Populists and Free Silver Republicans cannot afford to do so, unless they are meditating political suicide."

ASSOCIATED PRESS CONTRACT

Held by a Chicago Judge Not to Be Good, but Seems Good Enough.

Chicago, March 3.—The legal contest between the Associated Press and The Inter Ocean, has been concluded. Judge Waterman refused the injunction prayed for by The Inter Ocean against the Associated Press restraining the latter from cutting off its news service. This ends the suit for good, as no appeal to a higher court can be made in a quashed injunction case. Inasmuch as the Associated Press is not shorn of any of its power to reprimand members of the association, or cancel their contracts, for violating the covenants of the association, The Inter Ocean must now accept the fate which it tried to escape.

General Manager Stone, of the Associated Press, regards the decision as a decisive victory. The most important point brought forward, in the opinion of Judge Waterman, is that the contract between the defendant and the plaintiff is in restraint of trade. The judge held that the news contract between the parties was illegal for that reason, because one of the provisions of the contract prohibited the newspaper from distributing its news. Such a thing, says Judge Waterman, is clearly in restraint of trade and therefore illegal. And because of this illegality the parties stand as if such contract had never been made.

LOOK OUT, THERE, KING CORN.

Here Is Another King That Is Going to Claim Your Seat.

Cleveland, March 3.—The sixth annual meeting of the National Lumber Dealers' association was held yesterday. The organization contains 220 of the largest wholesale dealers in the middle and northeastern states, and it is declared that their interests amount to $100,000,000. In the absence of the president, Charles M. Betts, of Philadelphia, his annual address was read by the counsel and temporary secretary, J. J. McKelvey, of New York. One important statement made by the president was that the annual output of lumber in this country exceeds in value that of all the gold, silver, coal, iron and wheat.

Acting Secretary McKelvey reported the accession to membership during the year of seventeen lumber concerns. A resolution was adopted approving the Torrey bankruptcy bill and the Henderson bill in case the Torrey bill is not passed by congress. Another resolution adopted unanimously declared in favor of the gold standard for the currency of the nation. The following officers were elected: President, Hon. John N. Scatcherd, of Buffalo, N. Y.; secretary and superintendent of the credit bureau, Eugene F. Perry, of New York.

Base Ball Magnates at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., March 3.—Very little was done during the short morning session of the base ball magnates yesterday and they did not really get down to business until 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The entire afternoon was occupied, but the session was of a perfunctory character and there were no sensational developments. The time was devoted wholly to making changes in the rules and adopting the schedule of games.

Liberals Just Squeeze Through in Ontario.

Toronto, March 3.—Latest returns from Tuesday's election show that the Liberal government has been sustained by a majority of three. The figures are: Liberals, 48; Conservatives, 43; Patron, 1, and Independent, 1. There is one constituency yet to hear from.

Ohio Coal Must Be Mine Run.

Columbus, O., March 3.—The senate yesterday evening passed the Jones bill to require coal to be weighed before screening and it is now a law. The measure was urged by the miners of the state.

Illinois Board of Mine Managers.

Springfield, Ills., March 3.—The state board of mine examiners has organized by electing Richard Newsam, of Peoria, president, and Eben Howells, of Braceville, secretary, for the ensuing year.

Man with Bad Health Suicides.

Lexington, Ky., March 3.—Edward L. Price, aged 47, a prominent and wealthy business man, committed suicide by shooting himself in the forehead. He was despondent over ill-health.

MORE EXPLANATIONS.

Gen. Alger Now Announces That Secretary Long Meant Just What He Said,

AND NOT WHAT SOME ONE ELSE SAID

Also That the Cabinet Is Not a Liar, but Is Giving the Public All the Facts as to the Maine, That Are Facts—Relief for Cuban Needy Goes by Warships and Why—Still More Explanation—No War Stir Visible at Washington.

Washington, March 3.—The Washington Post today prints the following interview with Secretary of War Alger: "The statement of Secretary Long that Spain's 'official participation in the disaster' to the Maine had been 'practically eliminated' was merely an expression of personal opinion on his part. It is an injustice to him as well as to the administration to give an official significance to his expression, when he was particular at the time to emphasize the fact that he was peaking simply as an individual. In the absence of official facts—and I can repeat what has been said heretofore, that the public is equally as well informed as the government—no member of the administration can, of course, make official declaration touching Spain's responsibility, moral or otherwise. There is not an iota of information as to the cause or origin of the explosion upon which the government can, at this time, form a conclusion or base a decision. The verdict of the court of inquiry on that point must patiently be awaited."

Repeats What Has Been Said Before.

Beyond this Secretary Alger would not be quoted, but he authorized The Post to state most positively that no official information was being withheld from the public; that the administration was adhering strictly to the policy adopted by Secretary Long, with the approval of the president, at the start, to give the fullest possible publicity to all facts coming officially to the departments bearing upon the loss of the Maine and the 250 brave seamen.

The decision of the navy department to send two ships to Cuba with supplies for the suffering reconcentrados caused some commotion in official circles yesterday until the real purport of the visit of the ships came out. The cruiser Montgomery and the gunboat Nashville were selected for the purpose and orders were sent to Admiral Sicard to put them in shape for the required service.

And the Visit is Thus Explained.

It is explained at the navy department that this action was taken at the instance of the Cuban relief association, organized through the efforts of the state department for the relief of the destitute non-combatants in Cuba. It was represented to the department that great distress prevails among the people in the vicinity of Sagua la Grande and Matanzas, on the northern coast of the island, and that considerable difficulty is experienced in sending supplies there because of the infrequent visits of the merchant ships. On this account, and because of the immediate demand for supplies at the points indicated, the officers of the association requested the secretary of the navy to authorize the use of one or more of the warships at Key West in the transportation there of food supplies contributed by the charitable people of the United States in response to the appeals of President McKinley and Secretary Sherman. Secretary Long conferred with the president on the subject and it was decided to comply with the request.

Another of Those "Misunderstandings."

To remove the impression that had gotten abroad to the effect that the relations between the navy department and the house naval committee were not harmonious Secretary Long yesterday afternoon gave out a short statement on the subject. He said: "Congressman Boutelle had been misunderstood. The congressman, who is one of the most patriotic men in the world, is always ready to do everything that can be done for the navy. In his annual report the secretary recommended that 1,500 men be added to the enlisted force on account of the increase in the number of ships. The naval committee, of which Mr. Boutelle is chairman, has already decided to grant this increase in the regular naval appropriation bill. Meantime, if there should be any immediate necessity for more men the same committee and Mr. Boutelle, as its chairman, are ready to make provision to that effect at once."

NO UNUSUAL STIR VISIBLE.

Where It Would Be Most Noticeable if It Was Apprehended.

There is no unusual stir of activity about the bureaus of the quartermaster general or the commissary general of the army, where more then anywhere else the preparations for a warlike emergency would be apparent. The officers of these bureaus say no extraordinary accumulation of supplies is taking place and that no contracts for extra supplies are in contemplation. In the ordnance bureau the placing of a large order for projectiles is the result of talks between Secretary Alger, Senator Hawley (of the senate committee on military affairs), and representatives of the house military committee. It was made clear to the secretary that it was a certainty appropriations would be forthcoming and it was deemed the part of wisdom to make the contract now, as the supplies would not be in hand for some months.

It is said in the navigation bureau that there is a pressing need of able machinists for the navy, caused by the heretofore unnoted fact that every one of the machinists on the Maine lost his life in the explosion. Moreover, all the firemen, but one were killed. The bureau has invited enlistments from men who have had naval service before in the engine rooms, and as it is said that a number of these men are now enjoying the three months period of time between enlistments, during which they may come again into the naval service without loss of service record, it is hoped that some of them will come forward to fill the places vacated by the Maine disaster.

The navigation bureau is still busy

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with the preparation of the death certificates for the families of the victims of the Maine disaster. Captain Hawley, who has the matter immediately in charge, says that owing to the necessary formalities these certificates cannot be issued before March 15 and this answer is returned to numerous letters daily received at the department.

AT THE WRECK OF THE MAINE.

More Efficient Wrecking Tug Arrives—Divers Encounter Difficulties.

Washington, March 3.—The press report from Havana yesterday had the following facts: "The wrecking tug I. J. Merritt, of the Merritt & Chapman Wrecking and Dredging company, arrived here from New York this morning and later in the day moved a barge near the wreck and commenced work. The Merritt is a powerfnul boat, but another and bigger tug is expected here shortly. Two Spanish divers were at work about the wreck today, and it is understood they will report to the Spanish board appointed to inquire into the cause of the disaster. Captain Peral is the president of the Spanish board of inquiry.

"It is reported that Captain Sigsbee does not expect to find any of the dead in the zone of the explosion, but he still believes bodies will be recovered from portions of the wreck as the divers remove the debris. The divers, who are working steadily forward, are encountering continual difficulties.

"Senator Proctor and his party returned to the city last night, after spending the day at Matanzas. About ten or twelve miles out of Havana the train ran slowly, because the insurgents had cut the wires, and Senator Proctor was told that there had been a small skirmish not many miles from the line, in which five or six men had been wounded.

"The officers of the Vizcaya paid ceremonial visits this morning to Admiral Manterola and Captain General Blanco. Crowds of people view the cruiser from the points of vantage ashore, and those who are permitted to do so go on board."

From Key West comes the news that the court of inquiry is through with its investigation at that point; that the Mangrove has steam up and that the court is awaiting instructions from Washington as to whether it shall return at once to Havana. The court will probably return to Havana today.

POLICE SHOOT A MAD DOCTOR.

Have to Do It to Repulse an Attack With a Knife.

Chicago, March 3.—Dr. Francis Brooks, a prominent young physician, was shot and seriously wounded last night by Officers Burke and Duffy, who were summoned to the house by the family to control Dr. Brooks. The mind of the young physician has lately become affected by over-study and last night he alarmed the members of his family by his handling of a large carving knife. Officers were called for and as soon as Burke and Duffy appeared Brooks attacked them with the knife. Burke fired at him point blank, the bullet striking Brooks in the left arm. He continued his attack, however, and Duffy fired, hitting the doctor in the side, inflicting a wound that may prove fatal.

They Have to Vary the Amusement.

Morgantown, N. C., March 3.—An old Indian doctor and a little girl who kept house for him have been found hanging from trees near their cabin at the head of Irish creek. The two came here about a year ago, and spent most of their time in hunting herbs. Threats had been made against the old man.

Church Warriors Tired Out.

Bay City, Mich., March 3.—The Polish church war in which two factions have long fought for possession of the property and books is ended. Both factions have asked the bishop to restore harmony. He will do it at once.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

The Very Cycle Manufacturing company, of Boston, has made an assignment.

H. O. R. Siefert has been re-elected superintendent of Milwaukee city schools.

Pope Leo was 88 years old yesterday. He is now the oldest man in official life in the world.

The Nicaragua canal commission estimates that the cost of the work will be $100,000,000.

Edward Guenther, one of the first residents of La Crosse, Wis., aged 62 years, killed himself.

Joseph Leiter, of Chicago, has offered a silver cup as a trophy in the intercollegiate championship.

The February gross earnings of the Rock Island road show an increase of $286,000 over the same month last year.

Senor Campossales has been elected president and Senor Rosasilvo has been elected vice president of Brazil by a large majority.

It is claimed at Chicago that a sailor of the Maine has given to a citizen of that city the pennant of the ship, which he saved when she blew up.

Two seamen of the British cruiser Australia, 5,600 tons, played with a fuse in the shell-room of the ship and she came within an ace of going the way of the Maine.

All the street railway property and franchises in Detroit are now owned by the interests represented by Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, and Albert Pack, of Detroit.

Elder Caleb H. Blanchford, of Walcottville, Ind., has performed 910 marriages and officiated at 1,145 funerals in the forty-five years of his service in the Baptist ministry.

High pontifical mass was celebrated at the Roman Catholic university at Washington in observance of the twenty-third anniversary of Leo XIII.'s pontificate.

Joseph Nelson, aged 95, died from the infirmities of age at LaGrange, Ind. He was a resident there for over sixty years and one of the oldest residents in northwestern Indiana.

The Independent Order of Mutual Aid in Illinois, in biennial session at Springfield, elected the following officers: President, T. J. Scofield, Chicago; secretary, Alexander McLean, McComb.

A distiller in Cincinnati is authority for the information that a deal is being worked for the consolidation of all the spirits manufacturing plants independent of the American Spirits Manufacturing company.

VIEWS AT KEY WEST.

Navy Officers Are Sure That the Maine Was Blown Up by a Sub-Marine Mine.

DECLINE TO BE QUOTED, HOWEVER.

Do Not Believe That There Was Any Explosion of Importance on the Ship—Spain's Right to Investigate the Matter—Board of Inquiry Tells Nothing and Divers Contradict Each Other—Latter Have a Perilous Job.

Havana, via Key West., Fla., March 3.—Without adding unnecessarily to the flood of surmises, conjecture and prophecy concerning the finding of the court of inquiry, it is fair to say that, as a matter of fact, most of the naval officers here and at Key West incline to the opinion that the court will find that the disaster to the Maine was caused by the explosion of a floating sub-marine mine under the port side of the ship forward. Opinions differ as to whether the mine was made of high explosives, such as wet and dry gun cotton, or ordinary gunpowder. Opinions agree not only as to the existence of mines in the harbor, but also that this one was laid purposely near the buoy where foreign war vessels were directed to moor, and was fired from an electric battery on shore.

Bare Possibility Suggested.

It is believed barely possible that the explosion of the mine was the result of the carelessness or ignorance of Spanish officers in charge of the mine station keys, when testing the circuit; but the latter supposition is not felt to be probable. It is further regarded as settled by the evidence before the court that the port side of the hull forward was completely blown to pieces, and that the only explosion on the Maine, except of isolated cases of fixed ammunition, was that of 2,000 pounds of saluting powder, stored forward, and of which no trace can be found. These views are gathered from officers, who talk with great reserve and only upon the assurance that their identity will never be revealed. The fact remains that only the members of the court of inquiry know all the testimony elicited and no one is authorized to make public matters in advance of the final adjudgment.

Spain Has a Right to Investigate.

A good deal of surprise was expressed by Americans here at learning that the Spanish divers were to be permitted to make an examination of the wreck of the Maine, especially as it was also said that American naval officers would give such divers all consistent facilities and would throw no obstacles in the way of thorough sub-marine inspection. When the United States declined to hold a joint investigation it was known, of course, at Washington, that Spain had both a moral and international right to make an investigation. Of course this refers principally to inspection of parts of the ship other than the hull. Until the guns, decks, engines and debris of all kinds have been removed, and the mud has been pumped from the hull, it cannot be examined thoroughly by any one. Some good authorities think it will be necessary to build a coffer dam around the wreck.

BOARD OF INQUIRY DOES NOT LEAK.

Wildly Improbable Stories Told to Specials—Gossip from Havana.

That any important testimony before the court has found its way to the public is very unlikely. Some of the witnesses have told certain correspondents of alleged testimony, but in every case investigation has showed their stories to be wildly improbable and controverted by known facts or else absolutely irrelevant. Some of the correspondents have tried to extract information from members of the court or from naval witnesses by putting what were deemed by the questioners clever hypothetical interrogaratories. But the questioners were not experts in naval architecture and the questioned were. So the results were unsatisfactory. Probably the court knew before it left Havana for Key West whether the ten-inch magazine on the starboard side forward did or did not explode, but the members gave no sign, and the divers when they talk at all contradict each other.

While criticising the divers for their slowness, it must be remembered that theirs is grim, dangerous, and difficult work. In muddy, foul water, through a mass of riven steel, bent iron, shattered gratings and ladders, over upturned hatches, heaped-up, coal, scattered ammunition, guns, chests, machinery and electric wires, they must make or cut their intricate way. They must exercise great care lest their air tubes be severed by sharp projections. Already many have had bad falls in the uncertain light and difficult passages. All the haste possible is greatly to be desired. The huge weight of the wreck causes it to sink daily deeper into the soft mud of the harbor, making the task of raising it the more herculean.

The question is frequently asked: "Are Americans in danger in Havana?" The only truthful answer given by a well-informed resident or American, official or layman, is: "We think not; we don't know." There are no signs of a demonstration against the Americans, and stories to the contrary, thus far, are without foundation. Still, Havana is no place just now for those without the calls of business or duty. This season is inclement and the variations of temperature are sudden and violent, causing much sickness.

All idea of censorship is so foreign to the American mind that an American can scarcely appreciate the difficulty of sending news from Havana. The Spaniards seem equally not to understand why censorship is not exercised in the United States. It took one correspondent two hours and forty minutes to get a dispatch revised and accepted for transmission.

News of the movements of the insurgents is scarcer here since the Maine explosion than usual. The fight in Puerto Principe some time since was probably one of the hottest since the opening of the trouble. It is thought that when the facts are known the reverse will be Spanish rather than Cuban. This is believed here among the Spanish themselves, and the official report admits greater losses on the part of the government troops than in any engagement of the war. The insurgents continue to burn cane fields and destroy plantations wherever the owners fail to pay taxes to President Masso's government. They loot cattle under the very walls of Matanzas, Cienfuegos and other cities.

Says Intervention is Certain.

Chicago, March 3.—Walter Wellman, the Times-Herald's Washington correspondent, telegraphs that paper that he has "actual knowledge" that this government will intervene in Cuba shortly, and that the Sagasta government will not oppose intervention.

MANY STRIKERS WERE ARMED,

So Declares the Chief Deputy of Sheriff Martin, at Lattimer.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 3.—At the trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies yesterday the sheriff was cross-examined, after which Samuel Price, a contractor and commission merchant of Hazleton, testified that he was Sheriff Martin's chief deputy at the time of the shooting. He told that the sheriff gave all the deputies explicit orders to keep cool, protect all property and maintain the peace. He also told them they were not to shoot unless for self-protection. He corroborated Martin's testimony, from the time the deputies went on duty, Sept. 7, until they formed in line at Lattimer, and described the shooting in detail.

He said that he discovered, by going among the strikers and feeling about their clothing, that they were armed with stones and revolvers. He was put through a rigid cross-examination, but he could not be made to contradict himself. He did not know who gave the order to fire, but did not fire a shot himself.

Ario Pardee Platt, one of the deputies, gave a description of the shooting. Witness saw the sheriff halt the strikers at Lattimer and advise them to disperse, but was knocked down. A. M. Hess, a civil engineer of Hazleton, who commanded company A of the deputies, corroborated Platt in his testimony. He heard one shot first, like a pistol shot, then came the volley.

Concessions to Endeavorers.

Boston, Mass., March 3.—The Southwestern Passenger association has granted to the Christian Endeavorers of the United States and Canada all the concessions desired. They include the sale of tickets to Nashville and return for the Christian Endeavor convention at one fare for the round trip, July 1 to 6, inclusive, with final limit July 31, and with privilege of extension to August 15, provided tickets are deposited with the terminal lines at Nashville prior to July 31.

Conference with the Canadian Pacific.

Chicago, March 3.—The western roads have decided that they will accept the suggestions of General Passenger Agents Roberts, of the Erie, and Daniels, of the New York Central, in which those two gentlemen, who conferred with the officers of the Canadian Pacific, say that in their opinion a conference is desirable for the purpose of settling the trouble with the Canadian Pacific, if possible.

Grand Rapids and Indiana Railway.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 3.—The Grand Rapids and Indiana Railway company held its annual meeting here yesterday. The gross earnings were $1,978,567, an increase of $79,123; net earnings, $525,086, an increase of $220,836. After the payment of $455,000 interest and other charges there is a surplus of $70,077, the first surplus since 1896.

Fired for Not Being an Informer.

Rockford, Ills., March 3.—Miss Mary L. Woodruff, deputy city clerk for ten years, was discharged yesterday by City Clerk Scovill. One of the reasons for dismissal was that she had knowledge of ex-City Clerk Hogland's shortage in the special assessment fund for two years and did not report it after his retirement from office.

Spain Reduces the Duty on Corn.

Madrid, March 3.—The cabinet council yesterday decided to reduce the duty on corn to 6 pesetas per hectolitre as long as the price exceeds 12½ pesetas.

The Weather We May Expect.

Washington, March 3.—Following are the weather indications for twenty-four hours from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and Illinois—Fair weather, with decreasing cloudiness; northerly winds. For Michigan and Wisconsin—Fair weather; light northwesterly winds. For Iowa—Fair weather; northerly winds.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, March 2.

Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today: Wheat—May, opened $1.05½, closed $1.06½; July, opened 91⅝c, closed 91⅝c; September, opened and closed 78¾c. Corn—May, opened 30⅝c, closed 30⅜c; July, opened 31⅞c, closed 31⅝c; September, opened 33c, closed 32¾c. Oats—May, opened 26⅝c, closed 26½c; July, opened and closed 24⅝c. Pork—May, opened $10.50, closed $10.45; July, opened $10.57½, closed $10.50. Lard—May, opened $5.22½, closed $5.20; July, opened and closed $5.27½.

Produce: Butter—Extra creamery, 20c per lb; extra dairy, 18c; fresh packing stock, 10@10½c. Eggs—Fresh stock, 12c per doz. Dressed Poultry—Turkeys, 9@11c per lb; chickens, 7@8c; ducks, 6@8c. Potatoes—Common to choice, 52@62 per bu. Sweet Potatoes—Illinois, $2.25@3.00 per bbl.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, March 2.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 30,000; quality good; market active and feeling firmer; prices higer; sales ranged at $3.15@4.00 for pigs, $3.85@4.00 for light, $3.90@3.95 for rough packing, $3.90@4.12½ for mixed, and $4.00@4.15 for heavy packing and shipping lots. Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 14,000; quality fair; market active; feeling strong; prices unchanged; quotations ranged at $5.20@5.85 choice to extra steers, $4.60@5.15 good to choice do., $4.20@4.80 fair tog ood, $3.90@4.35 common to medium do., $3.80@4.20 butchers' steers, $3.30@4.10 stockers, $3.90@4.45 feeders, $2.10@3.90 cows, $2.60@4.10 heifers, $2.60@4.25 bulls, oxen and stags, $3.60@4.30 Texas steers, and $4.00@7.00 veal calves. Sheep and Lambs—Estimated receipts for the day, 22,000; quality fairly good; market only moderately active; feeling weak; quotations ranged at $3.50@4.55 westerns, $3.60@4.65 natives, and $4.40@5.65.

Milwaukee Grain.

Milwaukee, March 2.

Wheat—Firm; No. 1 northern, $1.01½@1.02; No. 2 spring, 94@96c; May, $1.03. Rye—Firm; No. 1, 50½c. Barley—Dull; No. 2, 41@42c; sample, 37¼@41c.

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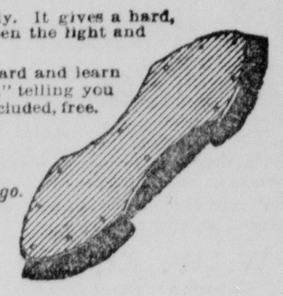

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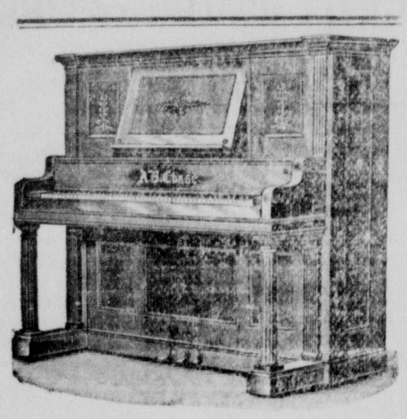

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Physical Development of Women.

[In the following article, we give our readers almost entire, the paper presented by Dr. Harriet E. Garrison of this city to the section on Physiology and Dietetics at the Forty-eighth Annual Meeting of the American Medical Association, held at Philadelphia last June, and printed in the Journal of the Association of January 22, 1898. We re-publish the paper because, having read it with pleasure, we find it contains thought that would be fruitful of much good could it receive the careful consideration of parents and teachers. The subject is one of fundamental (we might almost say supreme) importance, and the suggestions come from one who has made it a matter of careful study. —ED.]

"Our civilization is hard upon the women," remarked a highly cultivated woman as she sat in my office discussing the way by which she could be restored to her usual vigor. This remark was called forth by my insistence upon the statement that nothing but absolute rest would enable the overwrought mind and body to recover their usual tone. The family inheritance of acumen and mental vigor, which had carried a brother to a seat upon the bench of the Supreme Court of our State, had sent the sister into all kinds of philanthropic works. These, and looking well to the ways of her household, had made serious inroads upon a once vigorous constitution.

Our civilization is hard upon women only because they are in a state of transition from the wholly material to the entirely intellectual. When all that was required of woman's brain was to read a little and write sufficent to keep up a limited correspondence, she had strength and energy sufficient to develop into a healthy, hearty housewife and mother. But now our school system demands that every girl, whatever her after-life is to be, must have brains developed sufficiently to write a book, without regard to the effect this may have upon her physical development. And every woman must engage in some kind of benevolent work, no matter if she is starving for outdoor exercise, fresh air and sunshine.

Is there much inherent difference between the physical capacity of the sexes? A study of the agricultural laboring classes leads me to think that woman can be trained to as much physical endurance as man. Among the foreign peasants the women work side by side in the fields with their husbands and brothers, usually doing the more laborious part of the work. It is the woman of Germany, who, hitched side by side with her faithful cow draws the plow, while the man taking the less muscular but more intellectual task of guiding it. While on a visit to "the great red pipestone quarry" of Minnesota, as a tribe of Indians were taking out their supply of pipe-stone, I noticed that the men cut the stone from the quarry but the women were out along the railroad track splitting discarded ties into firewood, and as we drove back to the town we marveled to see the immense load of wood fastened upon the back of each squaw as she returned to the camp. Among our own agriculturists I have been surprised at the amount of endurance displayed by the women.

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But these cases are in marked contrast to those we meet among our intellectual women who are semi or whole invalids from early childhood to the grave. Some of these are born invalids, inheriting neurosis from neurotic ancestors; others have invalidism thrust upon them. While we do not care to have our women become farm laborers, we would like to have them with sufficient physical endurance to do the work, both physical and intellectual, which falls to their share without that constant tired feeling of which so many of them are continually complaining.

I think the late Dr. Frank Hamilton gave us the key to the lack of physical development in our women when he wrote, "Calisthenics may be very genteel and romping very ungenteel, but one is the shadow, the other the substance of healthful exercise. Girls need health as much, nay, more than boys. They can only obtain it as boys do by running, tumbling, by all sorts of innocent vagrancy. At least once a day girls should have their halters taken off, the bars let down and be turned loose like young colts."

If our girls were turned loose to amuse themselves spontaneously, to run up hill and roll down, to skip and jump without rhyme or reason, except as it is supplied by the exuberanse of their own innocent natures, there would be less headache in adult life. Only the other day an earnest, conscientious mother asked me about her little girl of seven, whether I thought it just right to allow her to romp on the floor with her little baby sister. As the mother expressed the matter, the girl had grown so rapidly she looked very ungainly rolling over the floor. "So much the more need for her to roll on the floor or grass that she may grow in strength and beauty," was the advice I gave the mother. In the tall, rapidly growing girl there is not sufficient nutriment supplied to the muscles to support the trunk in the erect attitude of standing, and rolling gives exercise to various sets of muscles without overtaxing them in trying to support the trunk. Many of our girls with round shoulders and rickety spines would have been spared these deformities had they done more rolling. A few weeks ago I had under my charge a girl of twelve years who was round-shouldered and small looking. She was very sick with la grippe and developed dangerous heart symptoms, for which I confined her in the recumbent posture for two weeks. When I finally allowed her to leave her bed, her mother was astonished at her great increase in height and declared she had grown four inches while in bed. I did not suppose there had been any actual gain as she had not taken sufficient nourishment, in fact she had lost in weight and the increase in height was due to the muscles having become rested and strong enough to hold the body in perfect shape. I advised the mother to have the girl spend half the time in bed until the muscles became more fully developed.

Fresh air, fresh water and sunshine should be the inalienable right of every child in this land of the free and home of the brave, but our women are starving for these very things. Not only are the girls from the sweat-shops and factories, who are shut in for ten or twelve hours where no sunshine or fresh air can reach them, crying Hood's refrain,

> "It's O, to be a slave,
> Along with the barbarous Turk,
> Where woman has ne'er a soul to save,
> If this is Christian work."

but the woman of social position must give at least ten hours daily to her duties, shut in as closely from fresh air and sunshine as her humble sister.

Our school authorities do not recognize the need of fresh air and exercise in the sunshine, with plenty of fresh water, but year after year try to drill into starved brains knowledge, a greater part of which is of no practical benefit to that particular individual. If the state wishes to educate the children let it make the education common As the schools now stand the privilege is extended to but a small fraction of the children, and these are the ones who least need the state's help. Let our school curriculum be made broad enough to include development of body as well as mind; let the schoolhouses be set away from other buildings with large, surrounding play grounds. It is not actually necessary for the schoolhouse to be placed at the door of the scholar's home, but let there be public conveyances to carry the scholars to the door of the schoolhouse.

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With this change must come other changes. Our civil authorities must take cognizance of the physical needs of our girls and provide places, with every facility for reaching them, where girls are incited to healthy exercise with basket-ball and other hardy games. The State levies a tax for free libraries where the girls may be shut in with foul air and with literature as detrimental to their minds as the air is to their bodies. If any one doubts this statement let them look over the list of books most called for in our public libraries. We do want to banish all public libraies, though there is a class of books which should be banished, but with these supply play places with games and bathing facilities, where every girl can engage in the healthy exercise of swimming. The plea is sometimes urged that bacterial disease is transmitted in free bathing establishments, and so is every book used in a free library covered with germs; and more dangerous germs as they are gathered from the homes of diptheria and typhus fever. If the water is frequently changed in the bathing pools the danger of contagion is reduced to an infinitesmal quantity. In communities where there are clear running streams there are hundreds of women who never have a plunge-bath from the cradle to the grave; from birth to burial they never know the cleansing which only immersion in clear, pure water can give. Here the fastidiousness of the community prevents the bountiful provisions of nature for woman's physical needs from being utilized; and even boys are fined for yielding to temptation of the pure sweet influence of the running water anywhere within telescopic view of the over-nice passer-by. Verily, those who do not bathe should pay the fines, as the crimes of the community are perpetrated by the great unwashed. To be unwashed for a week should be a crime. Every community too large or cultivated to use primitive bathing methods should provide free bathing facilities within its borders, and the women of the community should be urged to make use of these unless they have private arrangements for plunge-baths. Nature has clearly indicated that to be thoroughly cleansed the body must be submerged in water, even the ears, which so many fill with cotton before a plunge, will be none the worse for being washed out with pure water.

Let every physician assist in enforcing the law for shorter working hours for women, and urge that their free hours be spent in healthful outdoor exercise, and we will have a brighter, healthier, happier set of women.

Musical Recital.

Another Dixon young lady scored a victory yesterday. This time it is Miss Bessie Todd, youngest daughter of our well known citizen Jas. H. Todd.

The friends of this young lady have known that she has been working very diligently at her piano for months past, but few of the large company who gathered at Professor Stoddard's studio yesterday afternoon to hear her first recital realized how much progress she had made. The numbers on the programme consisted of difficult and brilliant selections from Beethoven, Bartlett, Schumann, Joseffy, Chopin and others and were rendered with a freedom and expression that greatly pleased the audience and convinced her friends that she had made such progress in the technique of pianofore playing as will entitle her to a place hereafter among the skilled musicians of our city. Her progress also speaks much for the great ability of her teacher, whose excellent work is already well known to our citizens.

The program was varied by a vocal solo rendered by Mrs. Frank Ballou in her usual pleasing manner. Miss Nellie Moyer was her efficient accompanist. Miss Genevieve Burnam also delighted the audience with two finely rendered recitations. The whole performance was very creditable as the 20th recital given under the auspices of the Stienmann Institute.

Central Examination at Harmon.

The central examination of Harmon and West Marion townships was held in the school building at Harmon last Saturday under the direction of E. L. Craig, with Abram Ackert, Miss Mame Talty and E. W. Ackert assisting. The work was very satisfactory, ten out of seventeen passing the required average. Of these ten, nine were from the Harmon school and one from the Lake school. The class was composed of very young pupils, but the work done Saturday shows that they are fully up to the average, and if the class of work done by them in the central is continued until the final examination, Harmon in the Class of '98 will have much to be proud of.

Out for Assessor.

George R. Woodruff announces that he is a candidate for the office of assessor, subject to the will of the people at the township election on Tuesday, April 5. Mr. Woodruff is a well known merchant of the city with residence and place of business on Third street near the arch. In city affairs he is well known and well liked, having served as a member of the city council for several years. We do not doubt but that if elected he will make a successful official.

The Working Men's Series.

On next Sabbath evening Rev. F. F. Dornblaser will begin a series of sermons to working men. The subjects will be presented in the following order:

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March 13th—"The House-Builder."
March 20th—"The Shoe-Maker."
March 27th—"The Printer."
April 3rd—"The Plough-Maker."

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Vocal Solo.....Selected
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Duet for Alto and Baritone—Our Greeting.....Barnhouse
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The following touching tribute to Frances E. Willard, by W. W. Davis, appeared in the Sterling Standard last evening:

In his famous reply to Hayne in the U. S. Senate in 1830, Daniel Webster said: "I shall enter on no enconium on Massachusetts: she needs none. There she is, behold her, and judge for yourselves." So we may say of Frances Willard. Our praise seems weak. Her name is her eulogy. Just as Washington stands for patriotism, Hannah More for sanctified authorship, Harriet Newell for missionary devotion, Florence Nightingale for celestial charity, so Frances Willard stands for God, Home, and Native Land, for social purity, for righteousness among men, for all that is good and gracious upon the earth. She was the angel of the white ribbon.

On the walls of St. Paul's cathedral, London, you read the inscription, "Si quæris monumentnm, circumspice."—If you seek my monument, look around. St. Paul's is the splendid creation of Sir Christopher Wren, and its mighty dome is the inspiration of the metropolis. Do we seek a memorial for Frances Willard? It is the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It was the work of her life, it is the legacy of her love. The Christian Endeavor has spread into every land, but it must have the basis and association of the church. The W. C. T. U. asks no other nucleus than the loving hearts of a few good women in the humblest hamlet, who love the Lord and hate evil.

There are many lovely names in our American history on which we delight to linger: Martha Washington, Abigail Adams, Mary Lyon of Mt. Holyoke, Emma Willard of Troy, Maria Mitchell of Vassar, Harriet Beecher Stowe of Uncle Tom, Clara Barton of the Red Cross, Dorothea Dix, patron of the insane, but no name is sweeter, more beautiful, more fragrant than that of Frances Willard.

She has now realized the darling hope of George Elliot's majestic lines:

Oh, may I join the choir invisible
Of those immortal dead who live again
In minds made better by their presence; live
In pulses stirred to generosity,
In deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn
For miserable aims that end with self,
In thoughts sublime that pierce the night like stars,
And with their mild persistence urge man's search
To vaster issues.

—So to live is heaven.

W. W. D.

Bold Burglars in Sterling.

The home of Timothy Buckley in Sterling was entered Tuesday night, and over $100 in cash, a new revolver and his silver watch stolen. The robber was evidently well acquainted with his surroundings, as the various hiding places of the money (most of which Mr. Buckly had taken home that evening with which to pay his taxes the next day) seem to have been readily discoved.

The same evening about 7 o'clock a case of musical instruments valued at $25 was taken by a nervy thief from in front of the store of H. Aldrich, where it has usually been left until the closing hour.

Cards of Honor.

Cards of Honor for the current month have been won in the South Side schools as follows:

PRIMARY GRADES:

No. 1.—To Room 1, 2d Ward, Bertha Todd, teacher.

No. 2.—To Room 3, 3d Ward, Mrs. Kniseley teacher.

ADVANCED GRADES.

No. 1.—To Room 8, 2d Ward, Mr. Kiler, teacher.

No. 2.—To 7th Grade, Miss Thomson, teacher.

A Sterling Party.

A jolly bob sled load of ladies from Sterling came this morning and dined at Hotel Bishop. They were: Mesdames L. L. Wheeler, W. B. Price, Judd Decker, J. B. Diller, A. Richmyer, T. Y. Davis, Jacob Echternach, W. I. Bell, J. A. Morgan, J. B. Dickson; Misses Edna Reed, Nellie Havens, Sadie Johnson.

Initiate New Members.

The Modern Woodmen of Harmon to the number of twenty, reinforced by the members of the Amboy lodge of that order, will proceed to Walton tonight to initiate new recruits into the lodge at Walton.

Drainage Meeting.

An all day session was held at Harmon yesterday of a meeting of the drainage commissioners of Union District No. 1, Harmon and Marion and Union District No. 1 of Harmon and Whiteside county. A number of orders were paid and other business transacted.

College Items.

Miss Elizabeth Woodbury, instructor in the the Columbian school of oratory, Chicago, will give a reading in college chapel tomorrow evening. Mrs. Crouch, nee Miss Grace Flint, will accompany her from Chicago.

Mrs. W. F. Strong has charge of the conservatory of music during Prof. Strong's absence in Indiana, called thither by the serious illness of his father.

Miss Barber is now employed as the second assistant in the Shorthand Department. She is an able teacher and will give good satisfaction.

Five new students have entered the Telegraph Department for the full course this week. This department has at present a very large enrollment.

The Vespera society will give its regular program this evening in Chapel Hall. Saturday evening their regular night being taken by the Department of Oratory.

There is not a case of diphtheria in the college or anywhere in Dixon at present, false reports to the contrary notwithstanding. There are quite a number of cases of colds, sore throats and measles at the college but nothing of a serious nature. False and sensational reports sent out by unscrupulous persons, does our city a vast amount of damage.

Adam Scheer Surprised.

This is Comrade Adam Scheer's birthday. He has had several birthdays, but on this occasion special preparations were made to give him an all day surprise party. Mr. Scheer makes his home with his brother-in-law, William Heldman, on East First street and there this morning gathered Mr. and Mrs. Sartorius of Palmyra, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gerdes, who live north of this city, and Frank Lewis and Miss Lillie Lewis of Lee Centre. They have had a jolly day and presented the host with a handsome gold watch chain as a memorial.

Ladies, Remove Your Hats.

If the ladies with many feathers and trimmings upon their hats could realize how much they detract from the pleasure of those sitting behind them at the opera house they would certainly go prepared to remove them. This is from one who has suffered much. Ladies, please remove your hats.

ONE WHO GOES.

—Miss Neenah Hastings, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Katie Raymond at Rock Falls, returned home last evening.

Useful Dog.

A Boston street scene is described by The Herald of that city. The participants were a young woman, a horse and a St. Bernard dog. The dog, as will be seen, had the leading part.

The young woman, with a handful of letters, approached a letter box post, to which some one had very improperly hitched a horse. As the woman stepped forward the horse put his ears down and snapped at her.

Speaking to him was of no avail, and for a minute the woman looked annoyed. Then she looked around, put a silver whistle to her lips and blew a shrill blast. A moment later a big, shaggy, buff and white St. Bernard came lumbering along with many demonstrations of good nature. She pointed to the horse.

"Hold him, Don," she said.

The dog jumped at the horse, seized in his powerful jaws the nearest rein close by the bit and by main strength held the animal's head down. The young lady stepped up to the post, deliberately looked over her letters and slipped them into the box one by one, while the horse was striving with all his might to release himself. Then she stepped back and said, "That'll do, Don!" and resumed her promenade.

The St. Bernard released the rein, cleverly dodged a blow from the horse's fore foot, avoided a bite aimed at his back, gave a farewell bark at his discomfited antagonist and lumbered on after his mistress.

The English Walnut.

Possibly few trees in the old world are more profitable than the English walnut, which thrives in England and all over the northern part of the continent of Europe. The wood is especially useful for gun stocks and for many articles of furniture and is found profitable from trees of 10 years of age and upward. There is always good demand for the nuts, so that there are two distinct lines of profit—by the timber and by the fruit. In our country they thrive in any portion of the eastern states, although as they progress northwardly the tips of the last year's shoots are destroyed by winter. The living portions push out again, however, and generally bear as abundantly as before.

In the vicinity of Philadelphia there are numerous trees, planted by the early German settlers, which bear every year. Single or isolated trees sometimes fail to bear fruit on account of the pollen bearing flower maturing and scattering pollen before the nut bearing flower is in condition to receive it, and for this reason crops are more assured when a number of trees are planted together. In this way some of the pollan bearing catkins are conditioned so as to be in bloom before the time that the nut bearing flowers make their appearance.—Meehan's Monthly.

SHORT WAR WITH SPAIN

Judgment of Best Naval and Military Authorities.

SPAIN IS NEARLY BANKRUPT.

Her Bondholders Will Speedily Call a Halt. We Ought to Win In Sixty Days—The General Sherman Statue—Preparing For the Paris Exposition.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—[Special.]—It will be a short war. If war comes between Spain and the United States, it will not last long. This is the judgment of our best naval and military authorities. I have been making inquiries on this score, and almost without exception the men whose judgment is worthy of respect say they think the trouble will be over in two or three months. The chief reason which they give for this conclusion is based upon Spain's financial situation. They point out that Spain is already well nigh bankrupt. Her credit is so low that it is only with the greatest difficulty she is able to replenish her treasury sufficiently to carry on the ordinary operations of the government and the war in Cuba. The moment Spain goes to war with the United States her credit will fall still lower. Her securities will suffer frightful depreciation. No matter what the result of the first operations of her navy, in less than 30 days the holders of her bonds will call a halt. They will demand peace, and the government will be compelled to listen.

I am assured by men who have made a careful study of this matter that Spain's great debt is at once her danger and her safety. This apparently paradoxical statement is explained in this way: If she goes to war with a superior power, her bondholders will have to aid her to money with which to carry on her operations. They will be forced to do this in self protection, for if the war is to fail at the outset, disastrously and humiliatingly, revolution will be pretty sure to stare the government in the face. Something will have to be achieved in the field with which to satisfy the populace, something that the masses can boast of and feel good about. Having once won their applause the government may then proceed to do what is best for the national safety.

At the End of Two Months.

Here the bondholders will step in and demand peace. The great capitalists of Europe are able to reach every throne. They are powerful in the councils of every cabinet. They have their representatives in every ministry. It will not be necessary for Spain as a government to bow the suppliant knee to the United States and ask for the mediation of some foreign power. The bondholders, anxious to save the throne of Spain and their own precious money, will attend to that. Within 60 days after the beginning of war some foreign power will doubtless intercede for Spain. By that time the United States should be master of the situation and be able to treat for peace without danger of losing any of the fruits of victory. By that time Cuba should be in our possession and forever lost to Spain. If peace is to be negotiated then, one of its conditions necessarily will be that Spain gives up Cuba and pays the United States a great war indemnity besides.

Of course, all this speculation is based upon the contingency of war—a contingency which has not yet arisen. But if war comes it is pretty obvious to our military strategists that Cuba will fall into our hands rather easily. For the same reason they believe the Spanish naval fleets will concentrate their attention upon some Atlantic seaport, probably New York. They will hope to destroy this city of their own choice before the American fleet can come to the rescue. They would aim by such a victory to fire the heart of Spain. As soon as the news of the bombardment of New York or Boston by a Spanish fleet was received in Spain the people of that country would go wild with delight. The government at Madrid would be stronger in their affections than ever before. Reverses might then come without serious danger to the rule of the royal family.

Sentiment In Spain.

The people of Spain, the masses, have an abiding faith in their ability to whip the United States. Of course they are ignorant people. They know little of the great world or of the resources of nations. But the public men at Madrid and the educated, ruling classes throughout the peninsula do not think so. They know better. They fully realize that in the end the United States must triumph, that Spain's cause is hopeless. For this reason they will be the more eager to plan a campaign which promises to give them the prestige of a victory at the outset. They know their own people and their own danger.

While the country is talking of war a famous artist, Carl Rohl Smith of Chicago, is hard at work in his studio near the treasury building in this city fashioning a statue of one of the greatest heroes of the rebellion, General William Tecumseh Sherman. Mr. Smith is, I am glad to say, though not a native American himself, thoroughly American in his art ideals. Most of the models submitted in competition for the Sherman statue were from sculptors who work with the ideals of the French renaissance uppermost in their mind. The Sherman they chiseled was a Frenchman. He was anything but an American. But the committee of old soldiers who had the choice to make for the Army of the Cumberland knew only one Sherman—the Sherman they had seen in the field, the Sherman of the march to the sea, the actual, living Sherman. No French face or figure could be worked off on them.

Paris Exposition.

Congress is legislating for the American display to be made at the Paris international exposition in 1900. In the appropriation bill I do not see any provision for banquets to be given by the American commissioners, but it is a fact that banquets form one of the largest items of expense at a world's fair. I am told on competent authority that at the Chicago fair the official banquets cost not less than $1,000,000. The Russians gave one which cost $60,000 and the Japanese one which cost about $45,000. The cost of the banquets which the government will have to give at Paris in 1900 is estimated at $250,000. There must be a banquet to the commissioner general of France and his aides. There must be another to the commissioners of the various nations. A third will have to be given to various international officials. Minor banquets will be necessary to another grade of French authorities. All this is in accordance with the traditions. Politeness at a world's fair comes high, but we must have it. WALTER WELLMAN.

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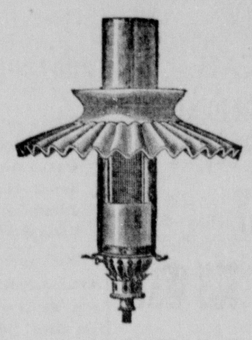

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The following are the names of some of the officers and those going to the expedition: Rev. Frank V. Vrooman; Hon. D. I. Murphy, former U. S. Commissioner of Pensions; United States Senators Wilson and Blackburn; Hon. G. D. Meiklejohn, Assistant Secretary of War; Hon. C. Robinson Griggs, former President I. B. & W. Ry; Dr. G. F. Washburne, Surgeon; Judge John S. Goodwin, and John Dean, Chief Engineer St. Louis Park System; Hank Summers, Dawson, Field Manager; Dr. G. F. Washburn, Western Agent; Senator Sanford; L. O. Wilcoxon, Chief Surgeon.

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NEW ILLINOIS LAWS

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PROVISIONS OF THE REVENCE BILL.

It Goes into Effect July 1, but Will Not Be Operative for Levying Assessments or Collecting Taxes Until Next Year—New Senatorial Apportionment Act—Primary Election Law—Appropriation Bills as Passed—Metropolitan Police Bill Fails.

The extra session of the Illinois general assembly was adjourned sine die on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 25, after having been in existence just eighty days. Pursuant to the call of Governor Tanner the legislators convened at noon on Dec. 7. It was the expressed hope of the governor that the members could accomplish the work expected of them and adjourn sine die before the Christmas holidays. This was generally taken at the time to mean an implied wish on the part of the chief executive that the work should go on continuously without the weekly interruptions which characterize regular sessions. However, the members of both house and senate, without respect of party, soon fell into the long-established custom of adjourning from Friday morning of each week until the following Monday morning. Aside from the weekly adjournments there was another threefold influence which tended to prolong the session.

Before the subject of revenue had been pursued very far the Democrats looked upon the bills under consideration as party measures and withheld their support, both in the advancement and on the final votes in each house. The Republicans themselves were only able to reconcile their differences after weeks of discussion, concesssions, and changes. The fact that the house majority had been reduced materially by the disqualification of several members who had been appointed to and accepted federal positions, made the situation still more perplexing and necessitated many adjustments and readjustments of revenue provisions. The house and senate each passed a bill of its own.

Differences in the Bills.

There were radical differences in these bills. The whole subject was then turned over to a conference committee, and it was the report drafted by this committee which finally became a law. It was adopted easily enough in the senate, but in the house only one vote more than a constitutional majority was cast for the bill. No member has expressed perfect satisfaction with the law, but it is generally considered a long stride in the right direction.

The following subjects were included in the governor's call for the extra session:

First. To amend the laws in relation to the assessment of property for taxation.

Second. A law to govern the conduct of party primary elections.

Third. An act to establish non-partisan police force in cities having over 100,000 inhabitants.

Fourth. An act apportioning the state into new senatorial districts.

Fifth. An appropriation for the maintenance of the Soldiers' and Sailors' home at Quincy.

Sixth. An appropriation to defray the expenses of testing the constitutionality of the inheritance tax and its enforcement.

Seventh. An appropriation to pay the per diem and expense of this special session.

The Police Bill.

The appropriation bills were disposed of without much difficulty and a new senatorial apportionment bill became a law early in the session. Bills on revenue and primary elections were finally enacted, so that the only subject in the governor's call upon which action was not taken was the metropolitan police bill. That subject was not ignored. Early in the session the senate appointed a committee with Senator Orville F. Berry of Carthage as its chairman to investigate the conduct and operation of the Chicago police force. This committee was empowered to summon witnesses, administer oaths, and send for books and records of the department. The inquiry continued several weeks. A long report citing many evils which the committee claimed to have developed was drafted on the basis of the testimony given and was presented to the senate. The report was accepted and a week or two before the close of the session it seemed probable that the Dwyer bill taking the Chicago police force out of politics would be taken up and pushed forward to passage, but it was finally given up. The committee of investigation, however, was continued. It will resume the inquiry some time during the summer or autumn, and is instructed to make a full report to the senate at the regular session next winter.

Illinois at the Head.

The primary election law places Illinois at the head of all states in the matter of legislation on this subject. It is the purpose of the law to give party primaries the dignity and political cleanliness of regular elections. To that end some of the provisions of the law are very strict, as will be seen in the abstract of the law farther on, and penalties for violating these provisions are severe.

The law is now in effect in Cook county and may be adopted for use in the other counties or in cities by vote of the people. The Harnsberger primary election bill, although introduced by a Democrat, was warmly advocated by many Republicans of the country districts. It was claimed for this bill that it provided a system of primaries less cumbersome, less expensive, and better adapted to the needs of the counties outside of Cook than he Crawford bill. The bill passed the house, but was killed in the senate, where it lacked four votes of enough to pass. With some modifications the bill will in all probability be introduced at the coming regular session.

Following are features of the new revenue act of most interest to residents outside of Cook county:

Making the county instead of the township the unit of taxation and putting assessors under the supervision of the county treasurer to secure uniformity of assessment throughout the county.

Making one-fifth the full cash value of all property the basis of assessment.

Taxbooks to be open the year around for public inspection.

Publication of the assessment rolls for public perusal.

To Revise Assessments,

Establishing county boards of review to revise assessments and requiring the board to have an office open the year around.

Empowering the state board of equalization to increase or decrease the aggregate assessed valuation in the state 10 per cent. instead of 1 per cent. as heretofore.

Making a general assessment of real property every four years and revising it annually to include improvements or to make allowances for depreciation.

Extending the time for making assessments so that the work may be done more thoroughly in thickly populated districts, and permitting the appointment of all necessary deputies for that purpose.

Imposing severe penalties on all who have to do with the work of making assessments and collecting taxes for the violation of any of the provisions of the law.

Owing to the fact that the bill was passed without the emergency clause, the law does not go into effect until July 1 next. That precludes putting the new machinery of assessment into operation for the raising of revenue this year.

The aggregate amount of appropriations made for the expenses of the special session is $68,500. This does not include the full amount of expense entailed on the state for the session. The per diem of mileage alone for eighty days foots up $400 apiece, or something like $80,000 for all. The law passed by the Thirty-ninth general assembly making the salary of members $1,000 applies only to regular sessions. During special sessions the old compensation of $5 a day is still in force.

NEW REVENUE LAW.

The Measure Is a Practical Revision of the Entire Code.

The new revenue law, which is a practical revision of the entire revenue code, goes into effect on July 1 next, but it will not be operative for levying assessments or collecting taxes until next year. Here are the important provisions of the new law:

County Assessor.

In counties not under township organization the county treasurer shall be ex-officio county assessor. With the advice and consent of the county board he shall divide his county into convenient assessment districts and appoint a deputy assessor for each district. In counties under township organization of less than 125,000 inhabitants the county treasurer shall be ex-officio supervisor of assessments in his county. His office, provided by the county board, is to remain open the year around from 9 o'clock a. m. until 5 o'clock p. m. He shall on or before the 1st day of April in each year, assemble all assessors and their deputies for consultation, and shall give each instructions looking to a uniformity of assessment. Conviction for violation of these instructions renders the guilty one liable to a fine of not less than $50 nor more than $500 or imprisonment for six months.

The compensation of township assessors shall be as follows: In townships containing not less than 5,000 inhabitants not less than $5 nor more than $10 per day: provided that in townships containing more than 15,000 inhabitants additional compensation may be allowed, making their compensation for making the assessment a sum not exceeding $1,000. In townships containing less than 5,000 inhabitants they shall receive not less than $2.50 nor more than $5 per day. Necessary deputies shall receive not exceeding $5 a day.

Board of Assessors.

In counties containing 125,000 or more inhabitants (at present only Cook county) there is created a board of assessors of five members, not more than four of whom shall be members of any one city. They are to be elected at the regular county election and hold office two years, but for the first election two are to be elected for four years and two for six years. The salary of assessors shall be $3,000 a year, paid monthly. Vacancies are to be filled temporarily by the board of review. The compensation of the chief clerk shall not exceed $10 a day, to be approved by the board of review.

Deputy Assessors.

In all townships in such counties (125,000 inhabitants), not wholly within the limits of one city, the township assessor shall be ex-officio the deputy assessor to make assessments in the township wherein he is elected.

Every assessor and supervisor of assessment is required to give bond for not less than $2,000, the county board to determine the amount above that limit. In counties of less than 125,000 inhabitants the bond shall not be more than $500. A rigorous oath is exacted from assessors and deputy assessors and any assessor, deputy assessor or supervisor of assessments who shall refuse or knowingly neglect to perform any duty required of him by law, or who shall consent to or connive at any evasion of the provisions of the act, shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than $100 nor more than $5,000, or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than one year, and shall be liable on his bond to the party injured for damages sustained.

All property shall be subject to assessment and taxation as provided by the general laws for the assessment of property and for the levy and collection of taxes, except such property as may be exempt therefrom by the general laws.

Listing of Property.

All property subject to taxation shall be listed by the person at the place and in the manner required by law, with reference to the ownership, amount, kind and value on the 1st day of April in the year for which the property is required to be listed, including all property purchased on that day.

All real property shall be listed for assessment for 1899 and every fourth year thereafter. This assessment is to be known as the general assessment, and as modified, equalized or changed by law, shall be the assessment basis for the quadrennial period following.

The assessor shall, before June 1, 1899, and every four years thereafter, actually view each tract or lot of land listed for taxation as of the 1st day of April of each year, setting down his valuation of improved tracts and lots in one column and of his unimproved tracts and lots in another. He shall, also, between the 1st of April and the 1st of June in each intervening year, list and assess all real property which shall become taxable and which is not upon the general assessment, and also make and return a list of all new or added buildings or improvements of any kind, the value of which shall not have been included in the valuation of the tract or lot on which such improvements have been erected, specifying the land, the kind of improvement and the value which, in his opinion, has thereby been added to the land. In like manner he is to determine the depreciation of value by storm, flood, cyclone, fire or other agencies and make return thereof. And in case any assessor shall neglect so to do, the supervisor of assessments shall, in the case of such new or added improvements, assess the same according to the general assessment, and in case of such destruction, shall abate from the assessment of the tracts or lots so damaged or lessened, the proper proportion thereof.

On or before the 1st of June of each year, other than the year of general assessment, the assessor shall determine the amount of change in value of any tract or lot and add or deduct it from the general assessment accordingly.

Personal Property.

Personal property shall be listed between the 1st day of April and the 1st day of June with reference to the 1st of April in the year for which the property is required to be assessed, including personal property purchased or acquired on that day.

Sworn Schedule.

The assessor is required to furnish to every property owner a printed schedule to be filled out and sworn to as correct. This statement must include all personal property, money, grain on hand the 1st day of April, amount of notes, accounts, bonds, etc. The assessor shall determine and fix the fair cash value of all items of personal property and set it down in a column headed "full value," and ascertain and assess the same at one-fifth part thereof and set down the one-fifth part thereof in a column headed "assessed value," which last amount shall be the assessed value for all purposes of taxation.

The fair cash value of real property shall be estimated at the price it would probably bring at a fair voluntary sale in the course of due trade. As with personal property, two columns are provided for, the assessed value to be one-fifth the full value. The double column prescribed for assessors are also prescribed for the state board of equalization, which is retained by the law.

Penalty for Refusing to Schedule.

If any person shall refuse to make the schedules required, or to subscribe and swear to the same, the assessor shall list the property of such person according to his best knowledge, information and judgment, at its fair cash value, and shall add to the valuation an amount equal to 50 per cent. of such valuation. Whoever, in making such schedule, shall willfully swear falsely in any material matter, shall be deemed guilty of perjury and be punished accordingly. Any assessor failing to have the schedule subscribed and sworn to shall be fined not less than $100 nor more than $5,000.

Publication.

In counties outside of the county of Cook the county assessor or supervisor of assessments shall, after having completed the assessment of the year 1899, have published in some newspaper of general circulation, at a cost not to exceed 3 cents a name, a complete list of such assessment by township or assessment districts, which publication shall be made on or before July 10 of each year; provided, that after the year 1899 the publication shall only be of the assessment of personal property and the changes made, if any, in real estate, but the real estate assessment shall be published in full every four years, beginning with the year 1899. Failure to publish according to law shall not be considered a valid objection to a judgment for tax sale in the county court. In Cook county the list is to be published in pamphlet form by election precincts.

Review of Assessment.

In counties under township organization of less than 125,000 inhabitants, the clerk of the county court, the chairman of the county board and a resident citizen of the county to be chosen by the county judge on or before June 1 of each year shall constitute a board of review to review the assessments made by the county supervisor of assessments. In counties not under township organization the board of county commissioners shall constitute the board of review. In Cook county the board of review is elective and shall consist of three persons. The first board will be elected at the regular county election this year.

Meeting of Board of Review.

The board of review shall meet on or before the second Monday of July of each year for the purpose of revising the assessment of property. The board may revise the entire assessment or any part thereof of any taxpayer and correct the same as shall seem to them to be just, but the assessment of no person may be increased unless such person or his agent shall have been notified in writing and been given an opportunity to be heard.

Duties of the Board.

The board of review shall assess all property subject to assessment which shall not have been assessed by the assessors and may make such alterations in the description of real or personal property as it shall deem necessary.

On complaint in writing of any person or corporation that his or its property has been assessed too high, they shall review the assessment and correct the same, as shall appear to be just: Provided such complaint shall have been made on or before the first Monday of August. The board, also, on its own motion may increase, reduce or otherwise adjust the assessment of any individual or corporation, having full power to do anything the assessors might originally have done.

The board may increase or reduce the entire assessment of any or all kinds of property, if, in its opinion, the assessment has not been made upon the proper basis, or equalize the assessment of real or personal property by increasing or reducing the amount thereof in any township or any portion of the county, as may, in its opinion be just, but the assessment of any class of property or any portion of the county shall not be increased until the board shall have notified not less than ten of the owners of property in such portion of the county and given them, or any other citizens of said territory, an opportunity to be heard. The board shall hear any person in opposition to a proposed reduction in the assessment of any person, corporation or territory.

Shall Hear Application.

The board shall hear and determine the application of any person who is assessed on property claimed to be exempt from taxation. In such cases the decision of the board shall not be final unless approved by the auditor of public accounts, to whom a full statement of the facts in the case must be transmitted by the clerk of the board. If the auditor's decision is adverse to that of the board, he will apply to the supreme court for an order to set aside the board's decision. The court will hear and determine the matter as the right of the case may be. On the other hand, when the board shall decide that property in question is not exempt, the aggrieved may pray an appeal and a statement of the case will be transmitted to the auditor of public accounts, who shall present the case to the supreme court in like manner. In either case, the collection of the tax shall not be delayed, but in case the property is decided exempt, the tax shall be abated and refunded.

Any assessor, deputy assessor member of the board of review or board of equalization, or any person whose duty it is to assess property or equalize any such assessment, who shall consent to or connive at any evasion of the provisions of this act whereby any property required to be assessed shall be unlawfully exempt, in whole or in part, or the valuation thereof be set down at more or less than is required by law, shall, upon conviction, be fined for each offense not less than $100 nor more than $5,000, or imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court. He shall also be liable on his bond to the party injured for all damage sustained by such party as above provided and shall be removed from office by the judge of the court before whom he is tried.

Legal Indebtedness.

In counties containing 125,000 inhabitants or more the amount to which any county, city, township, school district, or other municipal corporation shall be allowed to become indebted shall not exceed 2½ per cent. on the assessed value of the taxable property therein. In any municipality or taxing district in such counties in which the aggregate of the levies or the taxes certified to the county clerk exceeds 5 per cent. a reduction shall be made by the county clerk so as to reduce the aggregate to 5 per cent. in the manner following:

The rate of county taxes throughout the county shall be fixed by reducing the aggregate rate of taxation in the municipality or taxing district to 5 per cent. by a pro rata reduction of all the levies certified therein, exclusive of the state taxes. The rate of each of the other kind of taxes shall be fixed in the same manner, taking the highest rate of taxation in any part of the municipality or other taxing district, or part thereof, as the basis of ascertaining the rate of taxation to be levied by such municipality or taxing district, and making the rate of taxation within the limits thereof uniform, and reducing the aggregate rate of taxation in each district in which it exceeds 5 per cent. to 5 per cent. In ascertaining the aggregate rate of taxation and reducing the same under the foregoing provision, taxes certified or levied for school building purposes shall not be included or taken into account in any manner or for any purpose. The limitations herein contained shall apply only to assessments of property made under the provisions of this act.

State Board of Equalization.

The state board of equalization shall hereafter assemble annually on the first Tuesday after the 10th day of September. It may raise or lower the total assessed value of property in any county to make it bear a just relation to the assessed value of property in other counties of the state, provided that the total amount of such increase or decrease shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the total assessed value of all property in the state as returned for purposes of taxation.

All lists, schedules, returns and statements shall hereafter be made between April 1 and June 1 of each year.

NEW SENATORIAL APPORTIONMENT.

How the State Is Redistricted Outside of Cook County.

The senatorial apportionment act redistricts the state outside of Cook county as follows:

Eighth district—The counties of Lake, McHenry and Boone.

Tenth district—Winnebago and Ogle.

Twelfth district—Stephenson, Jo Daviess and Carroll.

Fourteenth district—Kane.

Sixteenth district—Kankakee and Iroquois.

Eighteenth district—Ford, Livingston and Woodford.

Twentieth district—Knox, Marshall, Putnam and Stark.

Twenty-second district—McLean and Tazewell.

Twenty-fourth district—Peoria.

Twenty-fifth district—Will and Du Page.

Twenty-sixth district—McDonough, Warren and Fulton.

Twenty-seventh district—La Salle.

Twenty-eighth district — Hancock, Henderson and Mercer.

Twenty-ninth district—De Kalb, Kendall and Grundy.

Thirtieth district—Champaign, Piatt and Moultrie.

Thirty-first district—Bureau, Whiteside and Lee.

Thirty-second district—Mason, Menard, Cass, Brown and Schuyler.

Thirty-third district—Rock Island and Henry.

Thirty-fourth district—Morgan, Scott and Pike.

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Forty-sixth district—Jefferson, Hamilton and White.

Forty-seventh district—Washington, Perry, Franklin and Williamson.

Forty-eighth district—Monroe, Randolph and Jackson.

Forty-ninth district—St. Clair.

Fiftieth district—Union, Alexander, Pulaski and Massac.

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PRIMARY ELECTION LAW.

Counties Outside of Cook Will Vote Upon the Measure.

The Crawford primary election law goes into effect at once in Cook county. In other counties it will not be operative unless it is adopted by popular vote of the county. The electors of any county, city, village or incorporated town may adopt and become entitled to the benefit of this act whenever 1,000 legal voters of such county, city, etc., shall petition the judge of the county court to submit the proposition to a vote of the people and the proposition shall carry by a majority of the votes cast. If 1,000 shall exceed one-eighth of the legal voters of the county, city, etc., then the petition need not be signed or made by more than one-eighth of the voters. The proposition so to be voted for shall be on a separate ballot.

Following are the important provisions of the law: Any political party or organization which, at the last preceding general election in this state, polled at least 10 per cent. of the entire votes cast in such county, city, village or incorporated town shall be entitled under this act to hold one primary election on any day between November and April next following and preceding and regular spring election, and another primary election on any day between April and November next following and preceding any regular November election. Within the time limited aforesaid, such political party or organization, through its central committee or managing committee, may determine the day for holding such primary election. But no two parties shall hold their primary elections on the same day, and the first political party applying shall have the preference in the choice of days.

Primary Election Districts.

Not less than two and not more than six contiguous regular election precincts of the same ward or other political division, in as compact a form as practicable, shall be joined to form one primary election district, but in such manner that each primary election district shall include at least three regular election judges and two regular election clerks resident therein. In no event shall any primary election district contain more than 1,000 voters, to be ascertained by the party vote of the party holding the primary election cast at the last preceding general election. The term "general election" is construed as meaning any election held for the choice of a national, state, judicial, district or county officer, whether for the full term or to fill vacancy.

Judges and Clerks.

Where no board of election commissioners exists and where the judges and clerks of election are appointed and chosen by a board of supervisors or commissioners, then the judges and clerks who are to serve at a primary election shall be members of the political party holding the election, and if there be no such judges and clerks, then the county central committee or governing committee shall have the power to appoint them. The central committee or managing committee of any political party entitled to hold primary elections shall establish the primary election districts and the polling places. The judge and clerks shall equip polling places with the necessary books and papers.

The political party desiring to hold a primary election must, at least fifteen days before such election, file with the board of election commissioners a call or application in writing, giving the name of the party, address of the headquarters of the central or managing committee; day on which the primary election is to be held; the name, place and time of every convention for the nomination of candidates; description of each of the various primary election districts, together with the names of three persons for judges and of two persons for clerks of election in each district; the number of delegates for each district to each convention. Provided: That the number of delegates from each of the districts be proportioned equally to the number of the party in each district as shown by the last preceding presidential election returns; and provided, that each district shall be allowed to be represented by at least one delegate to each convention in which the district is entitled to be represented. The call shall be signed by the chairman and attested by the central committee or managing committee secretary.

How Expense Is Borne.

The expense of conducting primary elections under this law in each county, city, village or incorporated town shall be paid by such county, city, village or incorporated town, respectively, including the salaries of judges and clerks, cost of ballot boxes, registry books and other expenses, except the printing of ballots. The board of election commissioners, where such board has jurisdiction, otherwise the clerk of the county, shall audit all claims and expenses and upon their or his warrant the expenses shall be paid. Provided, that in cities, villages and incorporated towns where there is a board of election commissioners, all expense incurred by the board shall be paid by such city, village or incorporated town. Judges and clerks shall not be removed from office within five days of such primary elections except for flagrant misbehavior, incapacity or dishonesty, and the reasons therefore shall be preserved of record. Judges and clerks are allowed $5 a day for their services.

Eligibility to Vote.

Every legal voter entitled to vote at the last preceding election, whose name is on the general registry book of any election precinct within the primary district in which he offers to vote, and who, at the time he offers such vote, is a resident of the district in which he offers to vote, shall be entitled to vote provided he is a member of the political party or organization holding the election, and provided he has not

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voted at the primary election of any other political party within one year last preceding. Otherwise no person shall vote or be qualified to vote.

None but legally qualified voters residing in the primary district to be represented shall be eligible as delegates to any convention of such party.

Form of the Ballot.

The manner of voting shall be by ballot. The ballots shall be of uniform size, not less than 8 inches long and 4 inches wide, of plain, white paper. All ballots not fulfilling these provisions shall be void and be marked "Defective" on the back. No ballot shall be classed defective because the voter has named upon it a less number of delegates than he was entitled to vote for. If it be impossible for the judges to determine the voter's choice, such ballots shall not be counted, but ballots to which objections have been made by any of the judges or the challengers, shall be marked "Objected to" and a memorandum, signed by the judges, stating how the ballot was counted, shall be written upon the back of each ballot so marked.

Hours of Voting.

The polls shall be open from 6 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock in the evening. Judges and clerks are required to be on hand promptly and constantly throughout the day. In case of temporary absence from the polls a judge or clerk may authorize one of his political party to act in his stead until his return. Detention by a judge or clerk of any polling book or other election paraphernalia for fifteen minutes after the polls are open is punishable as a misdemeanor, and failure to keep the ballot box constantly in the public view during the election is punishable by a fine of $1,000. Each different ticket of delegates may be represented by a challenger, chosen by a majority of those named for delegates on any ticket.

Ballots Are Numbered.

The clerks of election shall enter in the proper column the name of each person whose ballot is duly received for deposit in the ballot box, and in the column under the heading "Number" he shall note the successive number of each successive voter; and in the column headed "Residence" he shall note the residence of each voter. Poll books will be provided by the same persons or officers who provided poll books at regular elections.

The qualification of any person to vote may be challenged as at regular elections and judges are empowered to administer affidavits to voters in case the right to vote is questioned.

Penalties.

The person who knowingly votes more than once, or votes in one more than one precinct, intimidates or hinders other voters, tries to corrupt a judge or clerk or does any other wrongful act forbidden by the law, shall upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a felony and be punished accordingly. Judges and clerks are similarly liable for keeping false poll lists, excluding legal votes or inserting in the poll books any false statement, or any check, alteration or mark, except those provided for in this act.

Stuffed Ballots.

If two or more ballots are found folded together and within each other so as to appear to have been cast by the same person as one ballot, and the inner ballot or ballots are without the proper successive number, then all such ballots, including the outer one, shall be marked "Stuffed" and shall be void and shall not be counted, but shall be placed in an envelope marked "Stuffed Ballots."

A companion primary election bill passed at this session amends the election law so as to make primary elections compulsory where the foregoing act shall be adopted or is in force, and provides that no candidate nominated by any convention shall have his name printed on any official ballot unless such candidate shall be nominated by a convention composed of delegates elected for that purpose at the primary election of such political party.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Sixty Thousand for the Soldiers' Home at Quincy.

The following appropriation bills became laws:

Appropriating $3,500 to defray the incidental expenses of the special session.

Appropriating $35,000 to pay the members and officers of the special session.

Appropriating $7,000 to pay the employes of the special session.

Making an additional appropriation of $60,000 for the ordinary expenses of the Soldiers' and Sailors' home at Quincy. This appropriation was made to correct a clerical error made in transcribing the bill at the regular session. The change of the figure after the conference committee had agreed upon the bill made the appropriation insufficient by about $30,000 a year. In the hurry of the closing days of the session the mistake was not detected until it was too late to rectify it.

An additional appropriation of $15,000 for the payment of the employes of the special session.

Appropriating $4,000 to defray the expense of printing and binding the journals of the senate and house and $4,000 to defray the expenses of the committee which went to Chicago to investigate the conduct and operation of the Chicago police department.

Appropriating $7,000 to hire additional attorneys to assist the attorney general of the state in the defense of the constitutionality of the Illinois inheriance tax law now pending in the United States supreme court.

Joint Resolutions.

The following joint resolutions, among others, were adopted.

Requesting the Illinois senators and representatives in congress to use their influence to secure favorable action in congress for the improvement of the levee system of the Mississippi valley. It is asked that the system of levees be strengthened and widened to the end that future destruction of crops and property may be averted.

Indorsing the movement now on foot requesting congress to make an appropriation of $100,000 to aid in holding corn expositions in various large cities of this and foreign countries. The purpose of these expositions is to give instruction in the domestic use of corn for food, the expectation being that the market for the chief agricultural product of Illinois will thereby be much extended and that better prices will be obtained for corn.

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When thou I judged the holiest of all
Should come to be the thing I must disown.
Was it not true, that April morn, thy blown
Gold hair around my hair for coronal,
Or is this truer—thou at the outer wall,
Unroyal and with unrepentant moan?

Yet prize I now this wisdom I have won
Who must always remember—nay, my tear
Must close mine eyes, as thou wouldst hide thy face
If some great meteor, kindred to the sun,
Should haunt the undying stars ten million years
To fall, some noon, dead in thy market place.
—Francis Sherman in Bookman.

THE LITTLE TITMOUSE.

One Free Bird That Attracts Attention Among Hundreds of Captives.

In a big bird store where there are hundreds of birds of many kinds incessantly squawking, chirping and singing there is one that is free—a tiny titmouse. The window is full of cages containing birds of various sorts, and one side of the store is lined with birdcages stacked up high all along. But there is none that attracts so much attention as the little titmouse flitting about the store at will. At night it perches on a gas fixture in the window, and to that it comes back from its various excursions by day.

Customers that come in to buy birds and birdcages and bird seed and one thing and another never fail to notice the titmouse. They may not notice another bird there individually, but their attention is sure to be attracted by this one as it darts about, free among so many captives, and they are likely to smile at it, they are so pleased with it. And sometimes children, looking in at the windows of the bird store, come in to tell the clerk that one of the birds has got loose.

When it has nothing else to do, the titmouse sits on its gas pipe perch and perks its head this way and that and looks about. Sometimes it whets its beak on the gas [illegible] Every now and then it dashes o[illegible] newhere. If it wants a drink, it perches on the rim of a goldfish globe—for home aquariums and stock for them are sold here as well as birds—no doubt to the great surprise of the goldfishes and certainly to that of the human beholders, who wonder that it doesn't fall in, it has to bend over so far to reach the water. But it gets it, and when it has taken its fill it flashes back to its perch on the pipe in the window.

The titmouse catches spiders and other insects, and it feeds in the larger cages when it will. It goes in and out of them between the bars with perfect ease. It is a very little bird, even with its plumage in its natural form. With its feathers pressed against its sides it can get through a very narrow space—between the bars of a parrot's cage, for example—with ease. There are in the window a number of parrots' cages in a row. The titmouse almost flies through these cages, stopping in each perhaps to eat of the parrots' food, but they never molest it. Parrots that would bite at the finger of a man who should put his hand near enough to the outside of their cage stand back in fright or sheer amazement when the little titmouse dashes in and perches on their feed cup. —New York Sun.

Spring Hats.

So far as can be judged at present, the spring indications are for quiet, rather neutral tints for round hats, toques and bonnets of fancy straw, chip dunstable and milan braids, leaving the milliner plenty of scope to use the brilliant trimmings of shaded flowers, velvet foliage, nets, feathers, handsome ribbons and dainty laces which are already adorning the windows and shelves of all the large importing houses.

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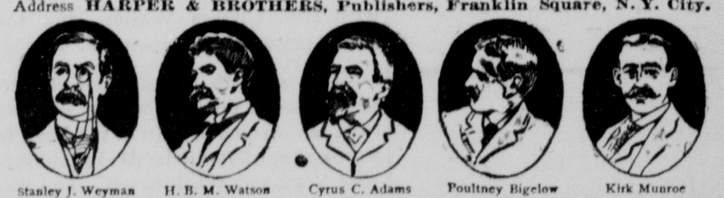
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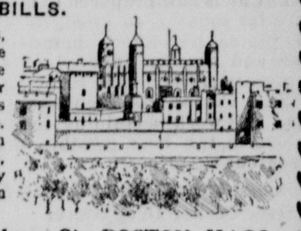

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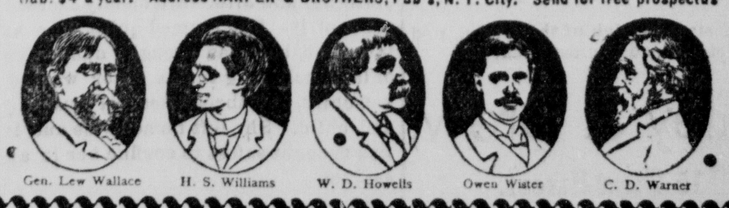
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July.....	.31⅛	.31⅜	.31⅛	.31¼
Mch.....				.29⅛
Oats—				
May.....	.26½	.27	.26⅝	.26⅞
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Mch.....				.25½
Pork—				
May.....	10.50	10.70	10.50	10.65
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May.....	5.20	5.27	5.20	5.27

THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:25 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:

Fair tonight. Friday partly cloudy with rain in extreme south portion of the state.

WEATHER REPORT.

For the week commencing Feb. 27, '98.

	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max	Min.	Precp
Sun.	15	34	27	34	15	.—
Mon.	24	34	28	34	24	.—
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—M. J. Kent is a visitor from Walton.

—Lou O. Rosbrook was quite ill last night.

—Atty. H. L. Coffey was in Sterling Tuesday evening.

—Mrs. Charles Fenstenmaker drove up from Walton today.

—Read the new advertisement of C. C. Burkhart, eye specialist.

—Advertisement changed this evening; Plymouth Clothing House.

—F. D. Kelley and C. D. Hussey of Franklin Grove are at the Nachusa House.

—Harry O. Wheeler was out yesterday for the first time after a two week's illness.

—The ladies of the Christian church are preparing for an apron and bonnet sale the last day of March.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Mong were down from Franklin Grove. Mrs. Mong was formerly Mrs. Frances Stanton.

—Dr. H. O. Smith and wife arrived this morning from Shakopee, Minnesota, and are at the home of Prof. E. C. Smith.

—Rev. T. F. Dornblaser of St. Paul's Lutheran church will address the meeting at the Salvation Army headquarters this evening.

—The Baptist church people have contracted with the Wagner Male Quartette Company to give a concert at the church on Saturday evening, March 12.

—Mrs. L. Duggan, who has been holding an art needlework sale at the Nachusa House, will give an exhibit at Miss Shenk's store tomorrow. See advertisement.

—Prof. E. C. Smith, who was quite ill with the grip yesterday, is resting more comfortably today. His son Percy is here from the Illinois University and is for the present taking his father's place in the school.

—The funeral over the remains of the late Mrs. Joseph Shultz will be held at Grace church, North Dixon, at 2 p. m. tomorrow, Saturday, and the nterment will take place at the Burket cemetery on the Franklin Grove road.

—Edward Piper, while driving Dynamite, had a runaway experience. With Mr. Piper was Frank Hoisington and they were both tipped out at a corner, and though Mr. Piper held onto the line the line broke and the horse was freed for a run.

—Mesdame Rodney M. Ayres and Mrs. Barclay Bowles entertained the Alpha Club last night at the home of the former on North Ottawa avenue. In the game at cards Mrs. Albert C. Dollmyer won the ladies' prize on a cut with Mrs. Ulysses Wasley, and the gents' prize went to George F. Mason.

—Col. and Mrs. Moses Dillon of Sterling returned home Tuesday evening from an extended trip in the East, in which they visited friends in Boston, New York and Washington. The colonel says that the general impression one gets from officials at Washington regarding the Maine disaster is that there will be no war. Amicable means of settlement will be resorted to.

—A very pleasant friendly gathering of the members of the board of supervisors was had last evening at the home of the retiring member, W. H. Gray on West Third street. When off duty, the board as a whole was found to be composed of a very jolly set of men. A very enjoyable evening was spent with cards and other social games, interspersed with various readings given by a young lady elocutionist, and an elegant and abundant repast was served by the host and hostess, ere their visitors bade them a reluctant farewell.

—A story is going the rounds to the effect that a married lady had a birthday anniversary a short time ago, upon which her husband presented her with a pretty piano lamp. He was very much flattered when she told him she intended to give it his name, until he asked her reasons for so peculiar a proceeding. "Well," said she, "You know, dear, it has a great deal of brass about it, it is handsome to look at, it is not remarkably brilliant, requires a great deal of attention, is sometimes unsteady on its legs, liable to explode when full, flares up occasionally, is always out at bedtime and is bound to smoke."

—Mrs. Frank Hemmen of Grand Detour, who has been ill for two years with brain disease, has been sent to Elgin for treatment at the asylum. The case was decided at Oregon. The first notice that was taken of her mental condition was two years ago when, ill in bed, she remarked that two well known young ladies of Grand Detour had put microbes of disease in her clothing, and afterward openly accused them of it. She seemed quite sane at intervals, but was thought dangerous of late; believing that a sister wanted her child, and threatened her husband and child. She left home twice and it was thought safest to confine her in an asylum.

—The program for the Young People's Meeting at St. Paul's Lutheran church, Friday evening, is as follows:

A paper on the Mother and Wife of Martin Luther ..... Miss Mabel Kay
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A paper on Susanna Wesley by ..... Miss Grace Fickinger
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DR. DAVIS, the Optician, is at S. S. Dodge's Jewelry Store this week. 89t10

Any person who contemplates going to Alaska had better learn of the proposition offered by the Klondike, Yukon & Copper River Company as to transportation, employment, etc. Ask E. E. SHAW, EVENING TELEGRAPH office for information and printed matter. 84tf*

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I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of the Township of Dixon. Subject to the Republican Caucus. Respectfully Yours,
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WM. H. GRAY would respectfully announce to his friends in Lee County that he will be a candidate for County Treasurer at the coming election, subject to the action of the Republican County Convention.

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the coming Republican County Convention, and respectfully solicit the support of the people throughout the County. THOS. S. CLOUGH. 8*

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the coming Republican County Convention and will appreciate the support of my friends. M. J. MCGOWAN. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, subject to the action of the Republican County Convention, and shall be glad of the assistance of my friends at the primaries. CHARLES F. FURLEY. d&w

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I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Assessor for the Township of Dixon, subject to the action of the Republican Caucus. I shall be thankful for the support of my friends, JOHN E. MOYER.

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